Development of tourism in Goa

4405. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any special plan for the development of tourism in Goa which is the most popular destination in India for tourists from different parts of the world; and

(b) in what manner Government propose to popularize Goa in different parts of the world?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) and (b) The Ministry of Tourism provides central financial assistance to all States/ Union Territories including Goa under the following schemes:

(i) Product Infrastructure & Destination Development

(ii) Large Revenue Generating projects

(iii) Fairs/festivals

(iv) IT schemes

The Ministry of Tourism does wide publicity and promotion of all tourist sites in the country through publicity campaigns and production of literature. Information is also disseminated through the official website of the Ministry and the 20 Indiatourism offices in the country as well as 13 offices overseas.

Importance of remnants of Tipu Sultan's palace

4406. SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI:
SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA:
SHRIMATI SYEDA ANWARA TAIMUR:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the archaeological and historical importance of the remnants of Tipu Sultan's summer palace "Dariya Daulat Bagh" which is extremely opulent from inside, and Tipu's Lal Mahal Palace